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SUBJECT: REGIONAL FISHERIES ATTACHE VISIT TO ROK

REF: A) TOKYO 4275, MARCH 28, 1977; B) TOKYO 4707,
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1. THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS), NOAA,
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COMMERCE, APPRECIATES REGIONAL FISHERIES ATTACHE'S
ADVANCE NOTICE OF TRAVEL PLANS TO ROK DURING APRIL 11-14
(REFTEL A) AND ENCOURAGES HIM TO INFO REGIONAL FISHERIES
ATTACHES IN CASABLANCA, COPENHAGEN, AND MEXICO CITY TO
KEEP THEM INFORMED ABOUT WORLDWIDE ROK FISHING OPERATIONS.

2. NMFS WOULD APPRECIATE IT GREATLY, IF RFA JOHNSON

WOULD DISCUSS WITH SEOUL EMBASSY OFFICERS THE COORDINATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF ALERT UNCLASSIFIED REPORTING ON TRENDS AND DEVELOPMENTS IN ROK FISHING INDUSTRY. NMFS APPRECIATES SEOUL EMBASSY'S 1976-77 FISHERIES REPORTING ON BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS, POLITICAL PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH FISHERIES, AND INTERNAL DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ROK OFFICE OF FISHERIES AND PRIVATE FISHING COMPANIES. THE MAJORITY OF THESE REPORTS, HOWEVER, COULD NOT BE DISTRIBUTED TO END-USERS BECAUSE THEY WERE CLASSIFIED.

3. NMFS DOES NOT NOW RECEIVE ANY ROK FISHERY NEWSPAPERS, PERIODICALS, ETC., AND THEREFORE LACKS AN UNCLASSIFIED AND CONTINUOUS SOURCE OF INFORMATION ON ROK FISHERY TRENDS. THE VOLUMINOUS ANNUAL STATISTICAL BOOKS PUBLISHED BY THE OFFICE OF FISHERIES AND FORWARDED BY THE SEOUL EMBASSY ARE MOST USEFUL, BUT DO NOT PROVIDE CURRENT INFORMATION. NMFS WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE AN ANNOTATED LIST OF ALL AVAILABLE ROK FISHERY PERIODICALS AND 2 SAMPLE COPIES OF EACH. RFA'S DISCUSSION OF HOW TO UTILIZE THE KOREAN-LANGUAGE SOURCES IN THE MOST EFFICIENT AND EXPEDITIOUS WAY WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

4. INFORMATION ABOUT THE FOLLOWING TOPICS WOULD BE ESPECIALLY VALUABLE AT THE PRESENT TIME:

A) AVAILABLE PRICES (FOR POSSIBLE USE IN THE 1978 ASSESSMENT OF FEES TO FOREIGN FISHING FLEETS OPERATING OFF THE U.S.) FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIES OF FISH:
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1) ALASKA POLLOCK 2) ATKA MACKEREL 3) ATLANTIC SQUID
4) PACIFIC SQUID 5) PELAGIC ARMORHEADS 6) SABLEFISH
7) SEA SNAILS.

B) ROK CATCHES WITHIN 200 MILES OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES, BY QUANTITY, COUNTRY AND SPECIES, FOR THE MOST RECENT YEARS AVAILABLE.

C) STUDIES OF THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF EXTENDED FISHERY JURISDICTIONS ON ROK FISHING INDUSTRY, FISHING PORTS, FOOD SUPPLY, BALANCE OF TRADE AND GENERAL ECONOMY. OF SPECIAL INTEREST ARE THE IMPACT OF UNITED STATES AND SOVIET EXTENSIONS AND OF THE FORTHCOMING JAPANESE EXTENSION.

5. NMFS WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ON A CONTINUED BASIS 2 COPIES OF ANNUAL REPORTS, IN ENGLISH OR IN KOREAN, OF MAJOR ROK FISHING COMPANIES IF THEY ARE AVAILABLE. NMFS RECENTLY RECEIVED THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE KOO IL

COMPANY AND FOUND IT MOST USEFUL.

6. NMFS LEARNED FROM HARVARD PROFESSOR PARK, AN EXPERT ON EAST ASIAN LOS MATTERS, THAT 95 OCEAN FISHING COMPANIES CURRENTLY EXIST IN ROK. IF SUCH INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE TO SEOUL EMBASSY, NMFS WOULD APPRECIATE A LIST OF THESE COMPANIES WITH NAMES, ADDRESSES, TELEPHONE AND TELEX NUMBERS, ANNUAL SALES VOLUME, IMPORT-EXPORT TRADE VOLUME, TYPE OF BUSINESS, SPECIES HANDLED, AND NUMBER OF FISHING VESSELS OWNED OR LEASED.

7. NMFS LEARNED OF SPECIAL MEASURES TAKEN BY PRESIDENT PARK IN APRIL 1976 (LETTER TO KMIDC PRESIDENT SHIM DATED APRIL 23, 1976) TO SUPPORT KMIDC WITH BANK LOANS AND "PREFERENTIAL SUPPORT IN ALLOCATING FISHING QUOTAS IN INTERNATIONAL RESTRICTED FISHING AREAS." HOW DOES SUCH GOVERNMENTAL POLICY AFFECT THE RIVALRY BETWEEN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WONYANG COMPANY (HAK SOO LEE) AND KMIDC-JEDONG (SANG JOON SHIM)?

8. NMFS WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION ON THE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF ROK VESSELS WITHDRAWN FROM US AND SOVIET ZONES. WHERE DO THE OWNERS PLAN TO DEPLOY THEM IN 1977? HOW DO SPECIFIC COMPANIES (WONYANG, KMIDC, DONG WON, KWANG IL, KOO IL, DAERIM, TAE YANG, AND NAM BUK) WHICH HAVE BEEN FISHING OFF THE U.S. PLAN TO SURVIVE CATCH RESTRICTIONS CAUSED BY EXTENDED JURISDICTIONS?

9. DIRECTOR SHIM FORECAST ROK 1977 CATCH AT 331,000 TONS, OR 88 PERCENT SMALLER THAN THE 1976 CATCH ESTIMATE OF 2.7 MILLION TONS. NMFS WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S APPRAISAL OF THIS REPORT AND OF GOVERNMENT THINKING ABOUT WHAT ROK CAN DO TO MAINTAIN EARLIER CATCH LEVELS.

10. DIRECTOR SHIM OF THE ROK OFFICE OF FISHERIES TESTIFIED TO A NATIONAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE IN MARCH 1977 THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD CONDUCT MAJOR FISHERY RESOURCE SURVEYS BEGINNING IN MAY IN SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE GROUNDS OFF AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, ETC. WHAT PLANS DOES ROK HAVE WHEN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND WILL EXTEND THEIR FISHERY JURISDICTION?

11. ROK FISHING COMPANIES ARE SEEKING JOINT VENTURE ARRANGEMENTS WITH U.S. FISHERMEN FOR SALES OF ALASKA POLLOCK EITHER FOR ROK DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION OR FOR ROK PROCESSING AND EXPORT TO U.S., JAPAN, OR OTHER POTENTIAL FOREIGN MARKETS. NMFS WOULD APPRECIATE RFA AND EMBASSY ESTIMATE OF POTENTIAL FOR INCREASED USE OF ALASKA POLLOCK

BY ROK. TO OBTAIN A GOOD BACKGROUND (WHICH WILL ALSO BE
USEFUL IN FUTURE BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS) A DETAILED
REPORT ON THE PRESENT STATE OF THE ROK ALASKA POLLOCK
INDUSTRY WOULD BE APPRECIATED. ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING
QUESTIONS ARE OF INTEREST:
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A) WHICH ROK FISHING COMPANIES NOW LAND ALASKA POLLOCK
AND WHERE?

B) HOW MANY AND WHAT KIND OF FISHING VESSELS CATCH
ALASKA POLLOCK AND WHERE DO THEY OPERATE?

C) IN WHAT FORM IS ALASKA POLLOCK LANDED?

D) WHAT COMPANIES PROCESS ALASKA POLLOCK? TO WHOM DO
THEY SELL IT?

E) WHAT ARE THE CURRENT EXVESSEL, WHOLESALE, RETAIL,
AND EXPORT (FOB) PRICES OF ALASKA POLLOCK? IF A
HISTORIC RECORD OF SUCH PRICES EXISTS AND IS AVAILABLE
TO THE EMBASSY, THAT INFORMATION IS ALSO DESIRED.

IF ANSWERS TO ANY OF THESE QUESTIONS, IN FULL OR IN
PART, COULD BE PROVIDED PRIOR TO APRIL 18 (OPENING DATE
OF KODIAK FISHERMEN'S INSTITUTE MEETING) NMFS WOULD
BE ESPECIALLY GRATEFUL. WALTER JONES, CHIEF, FISHERIES
DEVELOPMENT AND MARKETING, NMFS ALASKA REGION, WILL
SPEAK AT THIS MEETING ON THE PROSPECTS OF DEVELOPMENT
OF ALASKA'S GROUND FISH RESOURCES AND THE POTENTIAL FOR
EXPANDING FOREIGN IMPORTS OF TANNER CRAB AND ALASKA
POLLOCK. PLEASE INFO NMFS, JUNEAU ON REPLY.

12. THE ROK OYSTER INDUSTRY IS OF CONTINUING INTEREST
TO NMFS, BUT WE AGREE WITH REFTTEL B THAT THIS SUBJECT
CAN BE LEFT FOR A LATER VISIT.
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